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SUBJECT: FURTHER REVERBERATIONS FROM KOIRALA INTERVIEW

REF: A. KATHMANDU 2512

B. KATHMANDU 2556

1. REACTION CONTINUES TO BE STRONG TO B.P. KOIRALA INTERVIEW OF MAY 27 IN WHICH HE DECRIED "GROWING CHINESE INFLUENCE" IN NEPAL (REFTELS). CENTRAL PRESS FOR THREE DAYS RUNNING HAS FRONT-PAGED ARTICLES IN WHICH LEADING POLITICAL FIGURES HAVE CONDEMNED STATEMENT AS EFFORT TO SOW DISCORD AMONG NEPAL AND ITS NEIGHBORS.

2. TYPICAL ARE STATEMENTS BY FORMER MINISTER R.P. GIRI, WHO CHARGED THAT INTERVIEW "SMACKS OF CONSPIRACY TO IMPLICATE NEPAL IN COLD WAR POLITICS." JOINT STATEMENT WAS ISSUED JUNE 3 BY 24 MEMBERS OF NATIONAL PANCHAYAT, AND CENTRAL SECRETARIES OF CLASS ORGANIZATIONS (WOMEN, PEASANTS, LABOR AND YOUTH) WHICH DESCRIBED B.P.'S STATEMENTS AS "BASELESS AND MEANINGLESS PUBLICITY STUNT."

3. COMMENT: ALL THE STATEMENTS BY VARIOUS PUBLIC FIGURES HAVE BEEN CAREFUL TO POINT OUT THAT NEPAL HAS NO REASON TO  
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FEAR INCURSION FROM EITHER INDIA OR CHINA. TO DATE NO DIRECT LINKAGE HAS BEEN DRAWN BETWEEN KOIRALA INTERVIEW

AND STATESMAN ARTICLE (REF B), ALTHOUGH EDITORIAL JUNE 5  
IN RISING NEPAL NOTES THAT THE WAY "ALLEGED CHINESE INFLUENCE  
HAS BEEN DRAGGED INTO INDO-NEPALESE RELATIONS SMACKS OF AN  
INTENTION TO DRIVE A WEDGE BETWEEN NEPAL AND INDIA ON THE  
ONE HAND AND NEPAL AND CHINA ON THE OTHER." EDITORIAL,  
WHICH IS DEVOTED TO REBUTTING STATEMAN ARTICLE, CONCLUDES  
THAT DANGEROUS ELEMENT IN ALL OF THIS IS "SUGGESTION OF  
THREAT TO HELP A HANDFUL OF NEPALESE IN SELF-EXILE IN INDIA  
TO GO RUMPUS (SIC) IN NEPAL IF SHE DOES NOT HEED THE IMPLICITLY  
DICTATED TERMS." TIMING OF STATESMAN ARTICLE, ALTHOUGH  
PROBABLY ACCIDENTAL, ADDS WEIGHT TO VIEWS OF THOSEWHO SUSPECT  
THAT KOIRALA INTERVIEW HAD IMPLICIT CONSENT (IF  
NOT SUPPORT) OF GOI AUTHORITIES.  
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